gedly imported them into India after re-invoicing and mis-declaring them. These machines were, thereafter, sold to M's. Philips India, who, in turn sold them to Citi Bank and Hongkong Bank.

Income Tax Exemption on Donations to Noon Meal Scheme in Tamil Nadu

1800. SHRI M. VINCENT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to give income tax exemption on donations given to Government for Nutritions Noon Meal Scheme in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) if not, whether Government propose to give necessary grants for the said scheme to compensate the loss of donations because of non-exemption from income tax?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) to (c) A deduction in the hands of donor at the rate of 50 per cent in respect of donations made, interalia, to the Government to be utilised for any charitable purpose (other than the purpose of promoting family planning which enjoys 100 per cent deduction) is already provided for in section 80G of the Income-tax Act 1961, subject to the specified limits and conditions. The nutritious noon meal scheme is covered by the expression "Charitable Purpose".

1801[Transferred to the 19th December, 1991.]

Pherwani Committee's Recommendation

1802. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pherwani Committee has recommended the setting up of a permanent Financial Instruments Review Committee (FIRC) to critically examine new features of emerging investment instruments to ensure that existing standards on accounting, taxation or laws are not violated and that investors' interests are protected; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto and what guidelines relating to valuation and new instruments have been formulated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) A Study Group constituted by this Ministry in March 1991 under the Chairmanship of Shri M. J. Pherwani has made such a recommendation.

(b) It is too early to indicate the views and formulate guidelines since decision on the recommendation has not yet been taken.

भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक में टंककों (टाइपिस्टों) की नियुक्ति

1803. **श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर** : क्या **वित्त** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक की दिल्ली शाखा ने जुलाई, 1989 में 30 टंककों के पदों की भर्ती के लिए विज्ञापन दिया था और सितम्बर, 1990 में आयोजित की गई एक लिखित परीक्षा तथा साक्षात्कार के आधार पर चयनित उम्मीदवारों की एक सूची तैयार की थी ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ग) अनुसुचित जातियों/अनुसुचित जनजातियों तथा सामान्य श्रेणी के कितने-कितने उम्मीदवारों को अब तक नियुक्ति प्रदान की गई है और शेष उम्मीदवारों को अब तक नियुक्ति प्रदान कर दिये जाने की सम्भावना है ;